

# MONGOLIA



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## History of Partnership

The House Democracy Partnership (HDP) approved a legislative strengthening partnership with Mongolia in May 2006.<sup>1</sup> This program has focused on committee strengthening, developing and enforcing a code of ethics, and constituent relations. HDP has organized congressional visits to Mongolia, staff training programs in North Macedonia and Poland, and training seminars for visiting members of parliament (MPs) and parliamentary staff in Washington, DC.



## HDP Engagement with the Mongolian State Great Hural

- **MP and Regional Seminars:** Mongolian MPs have participated in six MP seminars on topics such as public hearings, legislative operations and constituent relations, defense oversight, committee operations, enhancing the leadership and legislative skills of women MPs, and budget and financial oversight. In 2016, Mongolian MPs participated in a regional exchange focused on e-governance and in 2018 in an exchange in Seoul with members of the Korean National Assembly.
- **Staff Delegations and Technical Assistance Consultancies (TACs):** HDP has conducted six TACs with the State Great Hural focused on public hearings, research and policy analysis, executive oversight, and committee operations. HDP has also led three staff delegations to Mongolia.
- **Staff Seminars:** Since 2007, HDP has conducted twelve staff seminars with parliamentary staff from the State Great Hural. These staff seminars focused on legislative research services, budget analysis, executive oversight, committee operations, and technology and legislative openness.
- **Self-Initiated Delegations:** In 2009, the Mongolian Vice Speaker traveled to Washington, DC to meet with members of HDP to discuss the ongoing partnership between the Mongolian State Great Hural and the U.S. House of Representatives.

## HDP Congressional Delegations (CODELs)

- HDP has organized four congressional delegations to Mongolia.
  - July 2007
  - July 2009
  - June 2011
  - May 2016

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<sup>1</sup>At the time the partnership was initiated, the House Democracy Partnership was known as the House Democracy Assistance Commission (HDAC). The name was subsequently changed to reflect the nature of HDP as a partnership with partner countries.